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Hurt not your conscience with any known sin.—S. Rutherford.

THE SHERIFFSHIP

The voters of this community are confronted with the duty of choosing a sheriff of the city and county, and two candidates are before them, Robert Parker, ex-captain of police, and the present sheriff, Jarrett. Parker is a Republican, Jarrett a Democrat.

It is time that the responsible voters of Honolulu realize exactly the kind of administration that Jarrett is giving the police department. It is not a hopelessly bad administration, but it is a pretty bad one. It is not honeycombed with corruption, but it is far from being an entirely honest administration. The STAR-BULLETIN does not by this impute any dishonesty to the sheriff himself. The administration is not giving the city anything like a fair return for the money it is costing. The streets of the city are far from being efficiently patrolled, and the detectives' department that Jarrett allows to go its own sweet way under his nose is nothing less than a joke.

The STAR-BULLETIN is loath, too loath some may perhaps think, to condemn public officials. This paper believes that Jarrett is well-meaning, and certainly he has attained a kind of popularity with the electorate. But it is incredible that responsible citizens of Honolulu, whose lives and property are dependent on efficient policing, should not come to realize that Jarrett is "falling down". Of his personal habits nothing need be said except that he has on many occasions been unfit for duty, in his office or any other. Of his organization of the police, something more may be said.

It has been Jarrett's boast that he removed the sheriff's office and the police department from politics. That boast is not true. Only one instance need be mentioned to prove it. At the recent Democratic county convention, there were so many members of the police department enrolled as delegates to the convention, sent there to work for Jarrett's renomination, that the city was without any adequate police protection for a day and a night. So obvious was the participation of the police department, as an organization, in this convention, that it was a joke among the politicians.

As individuals, the members of Jarrett's force are sturdy, self-respecting and potentially capable men. But the force fails to be efficient because it lacks drilling woefully, it lacks teaching the men how to be good officers. It is run in a good-humored, careless, trusting fashion by a good-humored, careless and trusting sheriff.

Capt. Parker was "let out" by Jarrett. Parker's record is that of a clean and capable police official. Kana'inaas will remember the personal bravery he showed in revolutionary days, when his duty as a police captain led him into imminent danger of death and he dared death to accomplish that duty. He has been one of the most efficient police officers the city has ever known, and he has been the foe of petty grafters who thrive by police connivance.

There is comparatively little use in "roasting" a sheriff in the middle of his administration on general grounds. The situation now is different. Jarrett is before the voters of this community for reelection, and the only fair basis on which he can ask their support is his record for two years past. Now is the time for the voters to say whether or not they wish to continue him in office.

The STAR-BULLETIN's opinion is that he should not be reelected, and this is said in full realization of his political strength. This paper does not oppose him on any vague and general grounds. There are specific faults in his administration, and serious faults, and all the glossing-over for his career that a favoring newspaper, with which he has been hand-in-glove, can give, will not hide these faults.

It is fair to the voters of Honolulu to point out what these faults are, and this the STAR-BULLETIN proposes to do from time to time. It will also go more into detail on the qualifications of Robert Parker.

LUCIEN YOUNG

Hawaii has a peculiar interest in Lucien Young, and the death of the rear-admiral in New York last night is learned here with general regret.

Many times has Young's burly figure been a

familiar sight on the streets of Honolulu, from the time he was a boy in the service until but a few years ago. His most notable exploit here, of course, was the part he took in those troublous days of the Hawaiian revolution, when the Boston sent a detachment ashore under the young lieutenant to protect American interests. He wrote a book about the revolution and days of the republic that is an authority on the subject.

Later, Young was commander of the gunboat Bennington, which in 1905 went from here to San Diego—and to the terrible explosion that ranks as one of the greatest horrors in the annals of the American navy. He made another visit here some years ago.

Young was a bluff, hale-fellow-well-met, jovial and picturesque type of American naval officer. His career was filled with heroic feats. As a midshipman, he jumped overboard from a vessel under way and saved the life of a seaman who had been knocked off the deck; another time he rescued five persons from a wreck at the mouth of the Tagus river, and refused a medal from the king of Portugal. His record was marked by bravery and the official recognition of it, and his real ability was undeniable.

His passing is the passing of a notable figure in the American navy. The Bennington, stripped of her panoply of war, is now an obscure "tanker" in this port, her days of pomp and glory ended, and her commander, after a long career in the service of his country, is dead. A thousand personal friends in Hawaii will mourn his passing.

EVANGELISTIC EXPOSURES

"Evangelistic fakers" is the expressive title that the Congress of Evangelists and Rescue Mission Workers has conferred upon those of the brotherhood who adopt the extreme tactics of "tear-jerking," chair-smashing, death-bed tales and "hurrah boys" enthusiasm.

World-famous evangelists and revival leaders, gathered for this congress at the Moody Bible institute in Chicago recently, declared that the "fakers" are in reality religious backsliders. Several noted pastors told of the efforts of religious "boosters" to secure converts by methods that would do credit to a sideshow ballyhoo. Dr. Francis T. Taylor, now a well-known minister of Indianapolis and formerly an evangelist of the Chapman school of effort, gave one instance where an evangelist in Cincinnati had erected a blackboard on a street-corner and each evening chalked up the number of souls saved. Another veteran declared that he had seen chair-smashing rehearsed beforehand by a man who secured much publicity through these eccentric methods.

Fortunately for the progress of Christianity, these things are fast going out of date. The great leaders of evangelism, men like Moody himself, need no rehearsal to make their sermons extraordinarily moving, for their power comes from sincerity and a positive yearning to tell others of the forces of righteousness.

It comes with ill-grace from Roosevelt to accuse the Democratic party of changing its program constantly in the last sixteen years, considering that some thirteen planks in the Progressive platform now were written into the Socialist document first.

Ordering home those Greek reservists from the United States is going to create a shortage in bootblacks and waiters around New York and Chicago.

No wonder China wasn't anxious to borrow that fifty million. She would have had to pay it right out on the Boxer indemnity.

Owing to unfortunate legal delays, several Taft electors probably won't get their names on the ballot until after November 5.

Regardless of who has started this European war, it's safe to guess that Germany isn't going to lose anything by it.

Some of us who haven't studied geography for many years have begun getting out the map of Europe now.

Why couldn't Roosevelt have taken up aviating instead of African lion-hunting four years ago?

As a sporting proposition, Turkey seems to be a four-to-one shot.

DANCE ON Y. M. C. A. PAVEMENT WHEN MANDOLINS TINKLE

New Musical Club Making Fine Headway Under Prof. De Graca.

The dance hall ordinance wasn't in it last night when a few of the musically inclined members of a certain institution on the corner of Hotel and Alakea streets got out on the balcony and began to dispense "Chanticleer" and a few other grand opera selections.

People coming down Alakea street just couldn't resist the temptation, and they didn't need any wax on the pavement either. It was a free-for-all

ball, and they all came, old and young, to "trip the light fantastic toe" to the tinkle of mandolins and the strum of guitars.

The recently organized Mandolin and Guitar Club of the Y. M. C. A., under the leadership of Professor de Graca, is getting into fine shape and expects to appear before the public in a very short time.

At present there are twelve members in the organization, all of whom are good musicians, and after they have been drilled for a short time so that they can play together without a hitch, it will be a combination that will be hard to beat.

LETTERS ON TIMELY TOPICS

MORE ABOUT HOMESTEADING.

Editor Honolulu Star-Bulletin.

Sir—I should like to say another word for the coffee industry now that homesteading is on trial, first because I consider the coffee tree peculiarly adapted to this soil and climate.

This industry is also an ideal occupation for the American farmer as I have said before and there can be no doubt that if they could be sure of a profitable market hundreds of them would flock here to start working at this kind of farming. I have had some experience in this line, having planted some twenty thousand trees most all of which grew, and most of them grew most luxuriantly.

But unfortunately the price was so low at that time that it would barely pay for the picking of the berries, to say nothing of paying for the cultivation and the fertilization of the land.

And not only do these trees grow most luxuriantly here, but they produce a choice and a most delectable article, or fruit which cannot be surpassed by any other country in the world.

For instance, the Kona coffee is universally known, and its fame is world wide, and the Hamakua coffee is but a little less favorably known.

At one time this industry gave prom-

ise of being next to sugar the greatest industry of the island, and coffee trees could be seen growing all along the Hamakua, Hilo, Puna, and Kona coast, and all the hill sides, and what is known as the coffee belt blossomed like a rose.

And it was one of the saddest sights to see most all of these promising homesteads either abandoned, or else planted to some other article, or food stuff.

Now this is a most unfortunate state of affairs and it seems that something should be done to remedy it.

It is of course out of the question to expect a duty to be put on this article, but there seems no reason why a bounty could not be given to the growers which would enable them to compete with the cheap labor, and the more productive soil of other countries.

Should this be done, it would, unquestionably do more to solve the question of homesteading of these islands than any thing else that can be mentioned, for it would bring into use vast tracts of land much of which could be used for nothing else, and most of which are located above the sugar lands.

Yours very truly,

GEO. OSBORNE.

LITTLE INTERVIEWS

H. T. MILLS—Kaimuki is going to show the way to other neighborhoods again, this time in holding social gatherings to foster the get-together spirit.

W. T. POPE—I am much pleased with the large attendance of the public schools this year. The enrollment to date shows an increase of 1048 over last year.

L. L. McCANDLESS—Sure, the Democrats are going to publish their campaign expenses. Our election expenses of two years ago can be had at any time, by anybody wanting to see them.

GEORGE A. DAVIS—Sam Parker is not going to spend his time away from Honolulu when he becomes mayor. I am assuring everybody I meet of that fact. Sam will make good as mayor, and don't you forget it.

JUDGE WILDER—The Democrats are going to publish a list of their campaign expenses as they go along, not waiting for the election to pass. This is what is being done in the east, and it is causing much favorable comment. Now let the Republicans do likewise.

AUSTRALIA AND HAWAII.

The imports from Hawaii to the Commonwealth of Australia last year amounted to only \$2984. The exports from the commonwealth to those islands amounted to \$270,998, made up as follows: Coal, \$140,935; fertilizers, \$71,836; meats, \$30,958; butter, \$11,129; onions, \$7250; and all other articles, \$3880. These figures are from a report of Consul General John P. Bray, Sydney.

BEST FOR A COLD.

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The San Francisco underwriters want to meet the business men to discuss a lowering of rates in the city. This comes as a result of Mayor Rolph's bitter fight against the extortions of the insurance companies.

The Young China Association of San Francisco is \$5000 short in its accounts, and a warrant is out for the former secretary.

Gertrude Atherton called J. P. Morgan a "fat old spider," and T. R. his "little Fido." The Whitelaw Reids she calls "snobs" and said they were the laughing stock of Europe. All these things were said at a political speech in San Francisco.

Acting Governor Wallace of California has reprieved three murderers, all of whom murdered women. The anti-capital punishment bill is soon to be submitted to the voters.

A freight increase of nearly 50 per cent over last year has choked the docking facilities at San Francisco. No immediate relief is in sight.

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